



MEMORANDUM

DATE: July 25, 2019

TO: Mayor Patrick T. Rockinberg and Council Members: President Larry G. Hushour,
Secretary Jason M. Poirier, Patricia R. Washabaugh, Pamela M. Reed,
Karl L. Munder

FROM: Barney Quinn
Town Engineer

ISSUE: IMPROVEMENTS OF THE CENTER STREET, CROSS STREET, PARK
AVENUE, AND THE MUNICIPAL LOT

PURPOSE:

Town staff is seeking Council pre-approval to spend budgeted funds in making the following improvements to Center Street, Cross Street, the Municipal Lot, and Park Avenue.

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION:

From the recent Downtown Vision Plan, the Town is ready to implement portions of action numbers 3 and 4 of Short-Term Projects to improve parking and roadways in the Downtown Zone. These improvements include:

1. Enhancing Center Street at the intersection of Main Street by adding a dedicated right-turn and a dedicated left-turn lane on the west end of Center Street. (See Sketch A)
2. Rerouting Cross Street with new curbs through the municipal lot. (See Sketch B)
3. Temporarily closing Park Avenue to widen the asphalt to create angled parking on both sides of the street. This includes excavating the hillside and installing a retaining wall. (See Sketch C) Then reopening Park Avenue as a one-way traffic only road from Main Street to Cross Street.
4. Paving and restriping to add parking in the municipal lot.

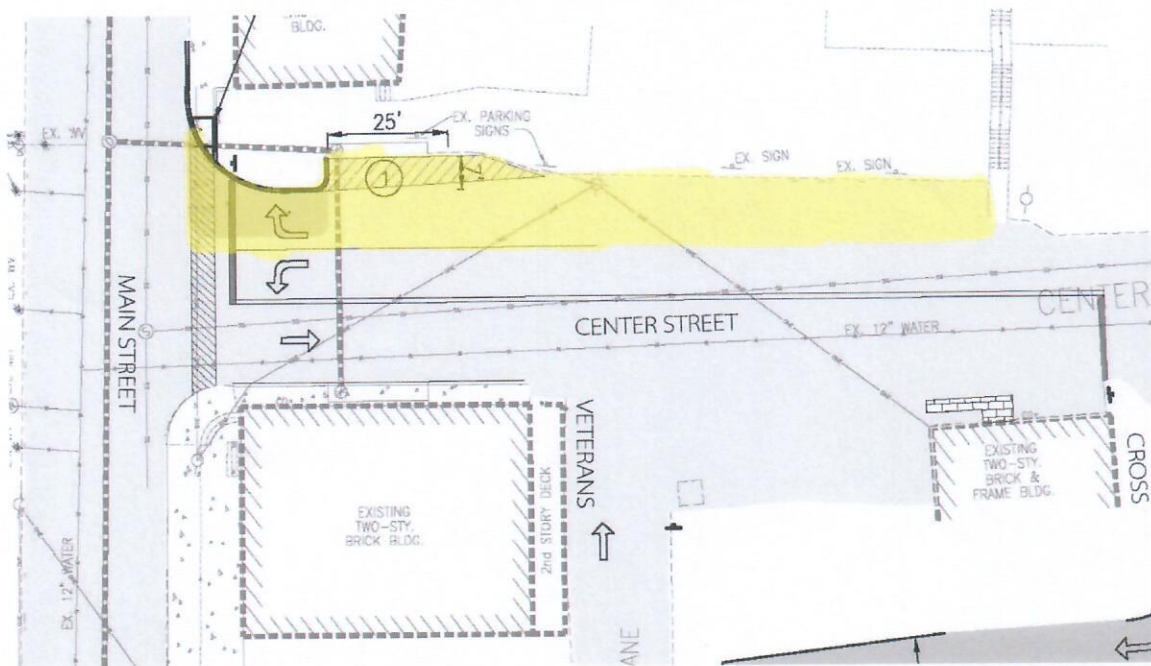
The Town will act as the general contractor for this project similar to other jobs done in recent years to save cost. The Town will solicit at least three (3) quotes for each major subcontract and award to the best fit contractor. To fund this project the Town has budgeted \$200,000 for FY2020.

RECOMMENDATION:

Town staff recommends the Town Council to pre-approve the changes listed above with an overall not-to-exceed current budget of \$200,000 provided staff obtains multiple bids for each contract.

Phase 1 – Offsite Improvements

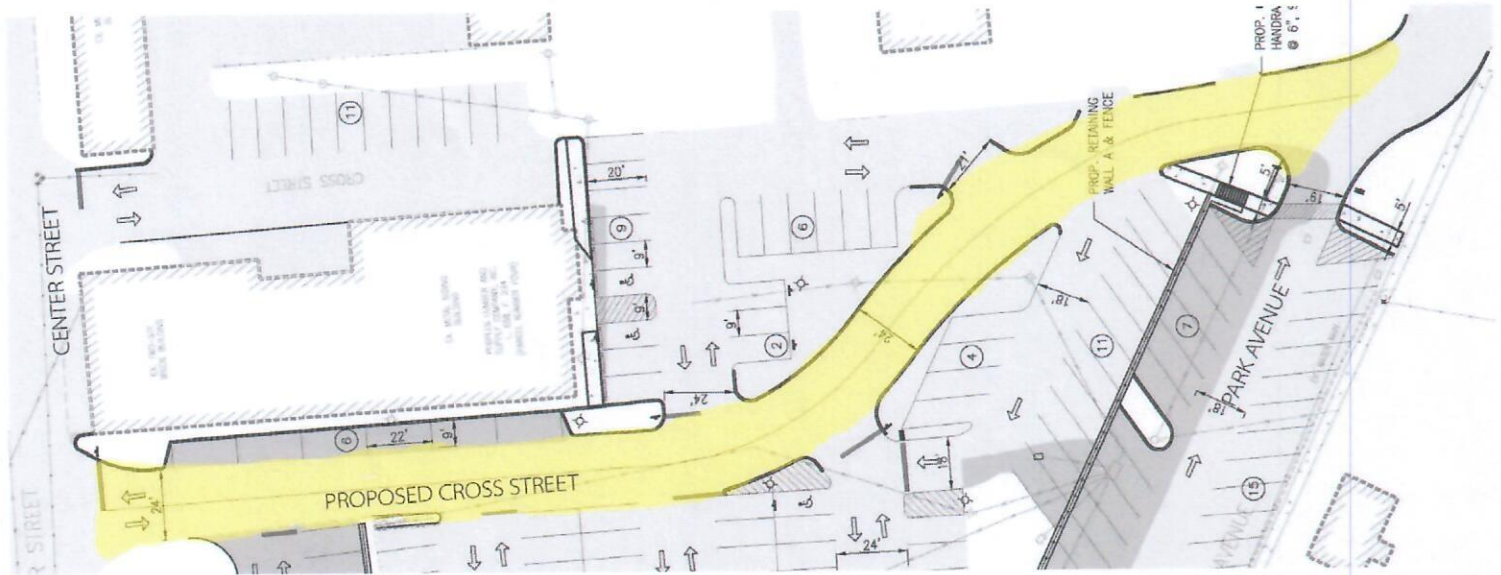
Added Turn Lane – Dedicated Right, Left Lanes



SKETCH A

Phase 1 – Offsite Improvements

Re-aligned and Widened Cross Street



SKETCH B

Phase 1 – Offsite Improvements

Park Avenue Modified to One Way with Added Angled Parking Spaces



SKETCH C